

which are mostly derived from the railroad; and the sad case of Brockway, the counterfeiter, again sentenced to imprisonment

The paper for the evening, "Free Kindergartens," was by Cora Haviland, whose connection with the Mission Kindergartens of Brooklyn gives her an opportunity for knowing how valuable an institution the kindergarten is, and what a power for good it has become in the worst of neighborhoods. These schools seem to be an important factor in the elevation of the foreign poor in our large cities.

The writer of the paper objected to the term, "free kindergarten," believing that a small charge should be asked. It may be but a cent a day, but it helps to foster a feeling of independence. A very interesting talk about the kindergarten day was given, showing how the gifts, occupations and games develop the child's entire nature.

The discussion which followed was very general. C. S.

#### REPORT OF LINCOLN Y. F. A.

A meeting of Lincoln Young Friends' Association was held in Lincoln 1st mo. 26th, 1896.

The first on the programme was the review of the lesson, given by Mary Ann Swaney. The lesson was taken from Acts 2 : 37-47, and was about "Peter's Exhortation to Repentance." In the teaching it speaks of God's spirit descending "upon all flesh." Considerable discussion was given to water baptism. It was thought that the only good that comes from it is to show to the world that there is a desire to lead a better life

A verbal report of the past year's work was given by C. A. Burgess. E. Y. Porter gave the Current Topics. He spoke principally of the "Armenian Trouble," telling how they are Christians, and have lived in this little country for several centuries, also of their neighbors' oppression, and many other particulars about them. Men-

tion was also made of the Bill in regard to having military drill in the Public Schools. The Bill was introduced into Congress a short time ago. Martha Garlock recited a poem entitled "The Brave Ducks."

#### REPORT OF ASSOCIATION HELD SECOND MONTH 23RD.

As the one appointed to give the review of the lesson was absent, it was given by the Association. The subject of it was "Stephen's Martyrdom." His was one of the most beautiful of the many lives given in the Bible. The golden text, "Lord, lay not this sin to their charge," shows his disposition even in the hour of trial. Saul's consenting unto his death by remaining silent was spoken of, and it was thought that if we let a wrong pass by us without our protest against it that we may be committing a sin of omission. The paper on the 6th Query by Martha Davis, contained many good thoughts. On the "Ministry" she spoke of our daily ministering as well as by the spoken word. On the subject of "Oaths" the question was asked: "Friends, are we doing as much in this line as we might?" Several extracts from the "Power of Silence," by Horatio Dresser, were given by C. A. Burgess. Under Current Topics, Joseph Lownes explained at some length the new discovery—Routgen's method of photographing through solids. At the close he said that many lessons could be learned from this discovery; that if such a wonderful thing could be discovered and is capable of being done by man, how much more must God be able to do, and it makes us think that "with God all things are possible." A short "History of the Quakers," taken from a Chicago paper, was read by Ira P. Bedell. It gave the number of Friends in each of the four principal branches of Friends, according to the census of 1890.

The letter from the General Conference held at Trenton had been delayed, and so was read. It was very much appreciated.